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Attorney Docket No. 05058/72201



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re

U.S. application of: Koichi NAGATA

For: FACSIMILE APPARATUS WITH  
CONFIDENTIAL RECEPTION FUNCTION

Prior Application:

Serial No.: 09/108,715

Filing Date: July 1, 1998

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Examiner: Kaveh C. Kianni

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REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUED PROSECUTION

APPLICATION (CPA) PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application(CPA)), of Application Serial No. 09/108,715, filed on July 1, 1998, by Koichi NAGATA, entitled FACSIMILE APPARATUS WITH CONFIDENTIAL RECEPTION FUNCTION.

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1. The above-identified prior Application Serial No. 09/108,715, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

2. Please use the file jacket and contents of the prior Application Serial No. 09/108,715, including the specification, drawings and declaration of the prior Application Serial No. 09/108,715, to constitute the new application.

3. Claims 1-15 are present in this application. Claims 1, 11, 13, and 15 are independent claims and claims 2-10, 12, and 14 are dependent claims.

4. Please enter the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 which was previously filed on May 17, 2001, but not entered by the Examiner, and which amends independent claims 1, 11, 13, and 15, and amends dependent claims 6-10.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims currently existing in the prior application Serial No. 09/108,715, as amended by the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on May 17, 2001, which is being entered as a Preliminary Amendment.

			Fee for small entity			Fee for other than small entity	
Fee	No. filed	No. extra*	Rate	Fee	OR	Rate	Fee
Basic fee				\$355	OR		\$710
Total claims	15-20=	0	X \$9=	\$0	OR	X \$18=	\$-0-
Independent claims	4-3=	1	X \$40=	\$0	OR	X \$80=	\$80
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented	0	0	+\$135=	\$0	OR	+\$270=	\$-0-
			Total	\$0	OR	Total	\$790

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5. Please charge the \$790 fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please charge any additional fees (other than issue fee) required during the pendency of this application to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1260. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

6. A Petition ~~fee~~ for a One-Month Extension of Time, extending the response period to June 27, 2001, is being filed concurrently herewith. The Petition includes authorization for charging the Petition fee against the Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

7. The prior application Serial No. 09/108,715 filed on July 1, 1998, is assigned of record by Koichi NAGATA to MINOLTA CO., LTD. as recorded on Reel 9300, Frame 0669.

8. The Power of Attorney in the prior application Serial No. 09/108,715 was filed by Koichi NAGATA and is to certain attorneys of SIDLEY AUSTIN BROWN & WOOD, Dallas, Texas. Please submit all correspondence to the following Dallas address.

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It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to the application in the file wrapper of a 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

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